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Docket No. A-69850-1/DJB/RMS/DCF

NUMBER EL659498542US DATE OF DEPOSIT February 7, 2001 I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PAPER OR FEE IS BEING Anticipated Classification of DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" SERVICE UNDER 3 this Application: CFR 1.10 ON THE DATE INDICATED ABOVE AND IS ADDRESSED TO: BOX PATENT APPLICATION FEE, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER Class: Subclass: FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, DC 20231. Prior Application: TYPED NAME Vincent Diaz Examiner: ____ SIGNED YMENTS HO Art Unit: _____ **BOX PATENT APPLICATION FEE** Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 Sir: This is a request for filing an Original Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), in the name of <u>Jian-Bing Fan and Xiang-Dong Fu</u>, for <u>NUCLEIC ACID</u> DETECTION METHODS USING UNIVERSAL PRIMING. This __application _ continuation _ divisional X continuation-in-part claims priority to provisional application Serial No. 60/180,810, filed on February 7. 2000 and provisional application Serial No. 60/234,731, filed on September 22, 2000. ١٠... (a) \underline{X} Enclosed is a new application. **3**1. (b) _ Enclosed is a continuation-in-part application. (c) _ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application. (a) _ Enclosed is a new Declaration. 2. (b) _ Enclosed is a copy of the prior executed Declaration as originally filed. (c) _ Enclosed is a Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney. (d) __ Enclosed is a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney as originally filed. (a) _ Enclosed is a Small Entity Affidavit.

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(b) _ Enclosed is a copy of the prior Small Entity Affidavit as originally filed.

(c) _ A Small Entity Affidavit is of record in the prior application.

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| 4. | _ | The filing fee | is calculated | | ims as filed in celed by amend | _ | application, less | s any claims |
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| Basic Fee | | | | | \$355.00 | | | \$690.00 |
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| [] Multiple Depen Claims | | | | + \$135 = | \$ | OR | + \$260 = | \$ |
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| * If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2. | | | | | | | | |
| 5. | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No). | | | | | | | pe required, 300 (Order |
| .] []6. | <u>X</u> | | | | | | | |
| 1 7. | Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.) | | | | | | | |
| a 17.8. | Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: | | | | | | | |
| 9. | (a) X Informal drawings are enclosed, 11 sheets. (b) Formal drawings are enclosed, sheets. | | | | | | | |
| 10. | (a) _ | (a) Priority of application Serial No filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119. | | | | | | |
| - | (b) _ | (b) The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No filed on | | | | | | |
| . 11. | (a) _ (b) _ | | | | | | | |
| 12. | | The prior application is assigned of record to | | | | | | |
| 13. | X The power of attorney in the prior application is to: | | | | | | | |

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(a)__ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

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- (b) Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- (c) X Address all future communications to:

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| 14. | | A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.) | | | | | |
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| 15. | | A Prior Art Statement is enclosed. | | | | | |
| 16. | | I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true duplicate of prior application Serial No as originally filed on | | | | | |
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| Addre | ess of S | igner: X Attorney or agent of record | | | | | |
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